



March 2015

Meeting Dates & Locations

City Council Regular Meeting Transit Center	2nd & 4th Monday 6:00 p.m.
City Council Study Session Transit Center (when required)	2nd & 4th Monday 5:00 p.m.
Planning Commission Transit Center	Tuesday, March 3 & 17 6:00 p.m.
Parks and Recreation Board PW—615 N. 5th Ave.	2nd Tuesday 6:30 p.m.
Lodging Tax Advisory Comm. Transit Center Conf. Room	Quarterly—Next Meeting March 13 10:00 a.m.
Arts Advisory Commission Transit Center Conf. Room	3rd Tuesday 8:30 a.m.

Welcome New Hire!

Josh Rees—Police Specialist 12/30/2014

Coffee with the Mayor Continues in March

Sequim residents can meet informally with Sequim Mayor Candace Pratt on Thursdays, March 5 & 19 at 8:30 a.m. at the Mariner Café located at 609 West Washington Street.

Mayor Pratt will be at a different published location each month to meet with anyone who wants to chat, ask questions, express a concern, or make a comment about the City or the community. Please contact Candace Pratt at (360) 582-0114 or cpratt@sequimwa.gov with questions.

Enter Your Event on our Tourism Website

If you are hosting an event that would be of interest to Sequim visitors and residents, you can enter that event on the City's tourism website www.visitsunnysequim.com. The website is specifically designed to provide tourists with the information they need to make the most of their visit to Sequim, and gets over 85,000 unique visitors each year. To enter an event, go to www.visitsunnysequim.com, click "View All" on the Events Calendar, click "Submit an Event" and fill in the blanks. When you are finished, hit the "Submit" button at the top. City staff will need to approve your event for publication, which may take a day or two. If you have questions, please contact Communications and Marketing Director Barbara Hanna at (360) 681-3422 or bhanna@sequimwa.gov.

Work Continues on the Exterior and Interior of the New Civic Center



Windows and siding are installed on the new Civic Center. Grading has begun on the Community Plaza.

Lydig Construction crews have installed metal siding, windows, and hardiboard on the building exterior. Grading has begun for the communi-

ty plaza. Inside the building, crews are taping drywall and

painting, and installing the acoustical ceiling tile and

casework.

To keep the community informed of progress on the Civic Center Project, the City is posting weekly updates to the City of Sequim website



Please contact Interim
Public Works Director

Drywall taping and painting is in progress on the building interior.

David Garlington at (360) 683-4908 or dgarlington@sequimwa.gov. with questions.

DO'S AND DON'TS—Yard and Garage Sales

If you are planning a yard or garage sale this year, here are some important factors for you to consider:

- You are allowed no more than four (4) yard or garage sales at any one location during a calendar year and each sale cannot exceed four consecutive days.
- Goods may not be displayed in the public right-of-way.
- Signs may be posted only on the property where the sale is being held and up to two (2) other locations directing buyers to the sale. Signs must be on private yards or on planting strips of private parties.
- Signs cannot exceed four (4) square feet.

DON'T

- Attach signs to trees, utility poles, street lights, or traffic signs.
- Place signs in roundabouts.
- Put signs out more than three days in advance of the sale.
- Block alleys, sidewalks or streets with signs, or sales.
- Hold frequent yard or garage sales.

DO

Remove all signs within 24 hours after the sale. If not removed, it is considered littering and fines can be assessed.

City Website: www.sequimwa.gov Office Hours: 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Telephone: 360-683-4139



VOLUNTEER CORNER



Volunteer Heike Ward is training to become a Law Enforcement Chaplain

Heike Ward has been a part of the Volunteers in Police Service Program (VIPS) since last February. She was recruited by another volunteer in the program who felt that her background would be a good fit. Along with a professional history as an administrator in the healthcare field, Heike brings the unique experience of being a 30 year veteran law enforcement wife.

Because of her personal experience, she is taking her volunteer commitment to the next level and training to become a Law Enforcement Chaplain. In June she will receive a certificate in short-term addiction counseling and family wellness from Peninsula College, and in May she will begin the Criminal Justice Academy for Law Enforcement Chaplains.

The primary role of a Law Enforcement Chaplain is to provide support services and care to officers and their families. Heike is hoping that her personal experiences as a law enforcement wife along with her professional training will help her connect with the department families and serve them well.

Heike has lived here since 2000. She loves Sequim and describes herself and her husband as "outdoor people" who enjoy the pace and the friendly community.

To learn more about how you can find the right volunteer opportunity with the City of Sequim, contact Volunteer Coordinator Pamela Leonard-Ray at (360) 582-2447 or pleonard-ray@sequimwa.gov or City Clerk Karen Kuznek-Reese at (360) 681-3428 or kkuznek@sequimwa.gov.

Mark Your Calendar for Spring Clean-Up

Friday, April 17 & Saturday April 18, 2015



Look for details in the April Newsletter

Water Saving Tip of the Month

In the Bathroom—INSTALL WATER SAVING SHOWER HEADS. Low-flow showerheads deliver 2.5 gallons of water per minute or less and are relatively inexpensive. Older showerheads use 5 to 7 gallons per minute.



Proposed New 2015 Comprehensive Plan to be Available for Public Comment

It is expected that the City Council will approve distribution of a new draft Sequim 2015 Comprehensive Plan



for public review and comment at the March 9 City Council Meeting. The draft Plan is the culmination of more than 600 citizens' participation in the Sequim 120 public involvement program over the past three years. When adopted following public review and comment, the new Plan forms the basis for all growth-related regulations

and City capital spending.

The proposed new Plan presents a very different growth future for Sequim than the current 2006 Plan. Most significantly, the projected growth rate is reduced from over 5% annually to 2% - still an increase of more than 3,000 new residents within 20 years. The new Plan presents Sequim in 2035 as a place that reflects the core values expressed consistently by Sequim 120 participants: friendly, small-town feel, walkable, convenient, connected, multi-generational, affordable, and preserve rural. It also proposes a new land use plan and new zoning for most properties in the city.

After City Council's approval for distribution, the draft Plan document will be available on the City's web site, at the Library, and at the DCD / PW Building at 615 N. 5th Avenue. Opportunities for public comment on the Plan are scheduled to begin in late April and continue into June. Add your name to be notified of meetings by emailing SEQUIM120@sequimwa.gov or calling (360) 582-2448.

SEQUIM 120 QUIZ

What has over 6,000 feet, travels 15,000 miles a day, weighs more than 200 tons, and uses 225,000 gallons of water daily?

Answer: The 3,000 new residents projected to move to Sequim within the next 20 years.

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